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# SASS IRIS LIST

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**MAPLE ROAD GARDEN**

**SASS BROTHERS**

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## FOREWORD

Our irises are mostly of variegata origin. This is a hardy strain, as the home of the variegata is Hungary where climatic conditions are similar to those of eastern Nebraska and Iowa. They are adapted to the larger portion of the United States, but are not reliable in the warmer regions with little or no frost. In these sections they often fail to bloom or bloom on very short stems. The reason is that the variegatas are waiting for the approach of winter and as they usually start growth late in the year, they will be caught by the heat.

The variegata gives the entire color range of the bearded irises except blue. Hans and Jacob Sass used variegatas in their early experiments more frequently than any other pioneer breeders to obtain a wide color range. They used Trojana to overcome the dominance of low growth in the variegatas and gain height and infusion of Macrantha or Amas blood to increase the size of the bloom.

Plant irises in sunny, well drained locations. The rhizome, the botanical term for the creeping rootstock from which the true roots grow, should be placed just below the surface of the soil, making a hole sufficiently large to spread out the roots. Pack the soil around them, water and do not let them dry out until new growth has started. Point the growing points in the same direction when planting three or more rhizomes of the same variety. If, as so often done, they are pointed in opposite direction the result will be a clump with an open center which will not produce a solid mass of bloom. July and August are the best planting months, but they can be planted at any time the soil can be worked.

## 1947 INTRODUCTIONS

**BIRD OF DAWNING** (J. Sass, 1947)—Cameo pink self according to Ridgeway's color chart. Very much unlike the other Seashell pinks that it could be classed as a pinkish white or a white with a heavy pink sheen. It does not have a tangerine beard. Medium sized flowers on 24 to 36 inch branching stems. Stock limited .....\$25.00

**EBONY QUEEN** (Sass Bros., 1947)—Dark blackish purple self. Medium large blooms on 36-inch well branched stems .....\$15.00

**PINK LACE** (J. Sass, 1947)—A Rosalane Pink self with tangerine beard. Medium sized flowers on 36-inch well branched stems .....\$20.00

**RED TORCH** (H. P. Sass)—A brilliant variegata S. deep buff. F. brilliant deep red. Medium sized flowers on 34-inch stems .....\$10.00

## OTHER SASS IRISES

**ALEPPO PLAIN** (J. Sass, 1943)—A yellow plicata. Cream ground heavily dotted and sanded on edge forming a border of Pansy Purple. Large flowers on 36-inch good branching stems .....\$7.50

**AMENTI** (H. P. Sass, 1936)—S, grayish vinaceous. F, light mauve. Beard pale yellow. 36-inch branching stem..25c

**AMITOLA** (H. P. Sass, 1936)—S, and stigmas light russet vinaceous. F, Tourmaline pink. Beard bright yellow. 38-inch good branching stem .....25c

**ANITRA** (H. P. Sass, 1936)—Verbena violet self. Celeste color. S, domed. F, flaring. Large flowers on 36-inch branching stem .....50c

**AUTUMN FLAME** (H. P. Sass, 1941)—A big, tall, bright red purple. Fall bloomer .....\$3.00

**AUTUMN QUEEN** (H. P. Sass, 1936)—An everblooming white iris of the intermediate type which has a record of blooming every month from April to November. Flower of good size and quality .....25c

**BALMUNG** (H. P. Sass, 1939)—Yellow plicata. S, and F, yellow, bordered brown. Flowers large on tall and good branching stems .....\$2.00

**BALDWIN** (H. P. Sass, 1926)—One of the best of the dark blue purples. A huge Manganese violet self with an electric sheen in the falls on 40-inch well branched stems.25c

**BERTHA GERSDORFF** (Jacob Sass, 1942)—S, yellow flushed pink. F, yellow heavily flushed pinkish purple. 36-inch stems .....\$5.00

**BLUE SHIMMER** (J. Sass, 1942)—A blue and white plicata. White ground, heavily but evenly marked and dotted soft bluish violet. 36-inch good branching stems.....\$7.50

**BONANZA** (J. Sass, 1939)—A medium sized yellow ground plicata with distinct brown edge on fall. 34-inch stem .....50c

**CITY OF LINCOLN** (H. P. Sass, 1936)—A fairly large and clear colored variegata. S, yellow, F, red brown. 38 to 40-inch well branched stalk .....\$1.00

**CLARA NOYES** (H. P. Sass, 1931)—A gorgeous blend (Honorable Mention, 1931; Award of Meritt, 1932).....25c

**CLARIBEL** (Jacob Sass, 1936)—A large flowered plicata on the order of Los Angeles. Hardy, 40-inch branching stem .....25c

**CRYSTAL BEAUTY** (J. Sass, 1935)—A large flowered self of pure white coloring on 40-inch well branched stalk .....25c

**ELSA SASS** (H. P. Sass, 1939)—Color sulphur yellow, with a white flush in the center of falls. Flowers medium large and of very good substance. Stems 36 inches, low branching .....\$1.00

**FLORA ZENOR** (Jacob Sass, 1942)—S, Rosolane pink. F, Rosolane pink flushed Rosolane purple. Conspicuous tangerine beard. Medium sized flower on 38-inch well branched stalks .....\$2.00

**GARDEN FLAME** (H. P. Sass, 1943)—A broad petaled dark red self. Stems 34 inches tall. Ranks with the top among reds .....\$5.00

**GIRALDA** (H. P. Sass, 1939)—A light pink seedling of Imperial Blush. Large, rather long, flowers on short branching stems 5 feet tall .....\$1.00

**GOLDEN AGE** (J. Sass, 1939)—Flowers medium to large. Color darkest yellow self. 42 inches, low branching stem. **50c**

**GOLDEN FLEECE** (Jacob Sass, 1940)—S, clear sulphur to lemon yellow; F, creamy white with band of deeper yellow. 40-inch well-branched stalk ..... **\$4.00**

**GOLDEN HELMET** (Jacob Sass, 1933)—S, Ochraceous tawny at the edge, yellow ochre at the midrib and buckthorn brown at the claw. F, Morocco red overlaid oxblood red, bronze half striped Morocco red, prominent orange beard. Height 35 inches. Stem low branching. A striking brilliant variegata that shines in any iris planting ..... **25c**

**GOLDEN LIGHT** (H. P. Sass, 1933)—S, apricot yellow, toning to yellow ochre on edges. F, yellow ochre, lightly striped buckthorn brown. Beard light cadium. Branching stem 40 inches tall ..... **25c**

**GRACE BALLARD** (H. P. Sass, 1943)—A large apricot blend from Naranja X Prairie Sunset. The flowers have substance with flaring falls. Stem 36 inches with good branching ..... **\$2.00**

**GREEN SHADOWS** (H. P. Sass, 1943)—Large flowers of nice shape and heavy substance. In color a Sulphine yellow self on tall, low branching stems. 36-40 inches tall. .... **\$15.00**

**IMPERIAL BLUSH** (H. P. Sass, 1933)—A beautiful large bluish pink with 40-inch branching stems ..... **25c**

**JAKE** (J. Sass, 1943)—A glistening white of heavy substance, 38-inch well branched stem ..... **\$1.00**

**JOYCETTE** (Jacob Sass, 1932)—S, raisin purple. F, blackish purple. A very large flower measuring 6 to 6½ inches. 42-inch low branching stems. The effect with the sun shining through it is a rich, blazing red. Form excellent and substance heavy with usually three or four blooms open at once ..... **35c**

**KHORASAN** (28-33) (H. P. Sass, 1937)—A massive blended variegata. S, dull gold. Domed. F, nearly auburn, flushed violet below beard. Flaring to horizontal. Stems branching from center. 36-inch ..... **50c**

**LAKE HURON** (Jacob Sass, 1942)—A medium toned blue self ..... **\$1.50**

**LILAMANI** (35-40) (Jacob Sass, 1938)—A velvety blackish violet self. Large flower, well branched, on 38-inch stalk ..... **25c**

**MATTIE GATES** (Sass Bros., 1946)—A yellow of the same reverse bitone pattern as Golden Fleece, but deeper and clearer in tone to make it distinct from that variety. S. Lemon Chrome. F. White with a three-fourth inch border of Lemon Chrome. 38-inch well branches stems. Large flowers ..... **\$25.00**

**MATULA** (H. P. Sass, 1939)—S, domed, apricot buff, flushed congo pink in center. F, straight hanging. Indian lake, edged buff. Big light cadmium beard, heavy substance ..... **75c**

**MAID OF ASTALOT** (Jacob Sass, 1936)—Large flowered blue and white plicata. S and F, white with blue markings in throat. 45-inch branching stem ..... **50c**

**MIDWEST GEM** (78-33) (H. P. Sass, 1937)—Large, light buff pink, flowers with S domed and falls flaring. Stems branching from center. 36 inches tall ..... **\$1.00**

**MINNIE COLQUITT** (H. P. Sass, 1942)—A massive white plicata, slightly ruffled, with combed standards and broad flaring falls. The petals have a wide edging of purple. Stems 36 inches with wide branching.....\$5.00

**MOON RAY** (H. P. Sass, 1943)—Formerly listed as Moonbeam. A large Creamy Yellow self, with flaring falls and domed standards. It is a tall grower with good branching stems .....\$5.00

**MOONLIGHT MADONNA** (J. Sass, 1943)—Martins yellow self. Medium to large flowers on 36-inch branching stem .....\$5.00

**MOONLIT SEA** (J. Sass, 1943)—S, white, heavily flushed lavender violet. F, white, very heavily flushed lavender violet darkening to mulberry purple on lower edge. Empire yellow haft. The flower as a whole appears to be blue. Medium large flowers on 35-inch well branched stem...\$3.00

**MRS. WILLARD JAKES** (35-39) (Jacob Sass, 1938)—A pinkish toned blend of No-We-Ta and Clara Noyes type Very beautiful .....25c

**MISS ARAVILLA** (H. P. Sass)—A more golden King Tut. 36 inches tall .....25c

**MISS BISHOP** (Jacob Sass, 1942)—Pure white with yellow throat and haft. 36-inch well branched stem.....\$5.00

**MISS CAMELIA** (H. P. Sass)—Light bluish-mauve self. Large and tall .....25c

**NASSAK** (H. P. Sass)—A large and tall plicata, white with bright blue stitchings and perfectly hardy .....25c

**NO-WE-TA** (H. P. Sass, 1932)—A pinker Midgard type of entirely different form and an iris of exquisite coloring. S, conic arched and frilled. It is a beautiful true pink self in effect with yellow flushes at the center and edges of the falls and standards. 32 inches.....25c

**OLA KALA** (J. Sass, 1943)—A very dark yellow self. Light cadmium according to Ridgway. Medium large ruffled flowers on 36-inch well branched stem .....\$7.50

**ORIANA** (H. P. Sass, 1933)—A pure white of fine form and substance, of good size, with a finely balanced stem 32 inches tall. This is much superior to the older whites....25c

**ORLOFF** (42-34) (H. P. Sass, 1938)—A bright dark blended plicata. Ground color yellow and blended dark red brownish. 38-inch well branched stalk .....50c

**OSSAR** (24-34) (H. P. Sass, 1937)—This is a glowing, blackish red self. Not very tall, 32 inches, but low branching. There are many buds and often 3 flowers open on a stem. Flowers are of medium size of good shape and substance .....25c

**OZONE** (Jacob Sass, 1935)—A beautiful mauve toned blend. Bluish violet self with pinkish sheen. Brown haft. White beard tipped orange. Large flowers on 36-inch branching stem .....50c

**PATRICIA** (H. P. Sass, 1939)—Color white, S, domed. F, flaring, both heavily ruffled. Stems 34 inches, low but rather short branching .....\$1.00

**PEACHBLOW** (H. P. Sass, 1943)—A pink plicata with a light yellow flush. The flowers are medium large on 36-inch good branching stems .....\$3.00

**PERSIAN PRINCE** (H. P. Sass, 1941)—Another large and tall bright colored variegata. Falls broad and flaring, lacking the yellow edge. Strong grower .....\$2.00



**PINK OPAL** (28-12) (Jacob Sass, 1934)—Sister seedling to pink satin. Large flowers on 40 to 46-inch stems. Color lilac self .....25c

**PRAIRIE SUNSET** (Hans Sass, 1939)—Flowers large and of heavy substance. Color as to Ridgeway Onion Skin Pink and Vinaceous Tawny, with some lustre added. 36-inch stems, fair branching. (Dykes Medal, 1943) .....\$4.00

**RAINBOW ROOM** (Jacob Sass, 1946)—A remarkable new blend so named because it seems to us to contain all the colors of the rainbow. S. Anthony yellow. F. bordered Anthony yellow and merging into lilac color leaving a metallic blotch at the end of the beard in the center of the fall which gives a striking contrast. Yellow beard. Medium to large flowers on 36-inch branching stems. (H. C. 1945) .....\$30.00

**ROYAL COACH** (H. P. Sass, 1939)—Yellow plicata. S and F, yellow, bordered brown. Flowers of medium size and heavy substance. Stems 36 inches, low and wide branching .....50c

**RUTH POLLOCK** (H. P. Sass, 1939)—Yellow plicata, S, yellow, dotted and edged dark red-brown. F, light yellow, with a heavy border of red-brown. Stems 36 inches, low branching .....\$2.00

**SALMONETTE** (Jacob Sass, 1946)—Seedling 44-39. One of a series of new pinks. According to Ridgeway light ochraceous salmon. In effect a yellowish pink or salmon self. A tangerine beard blends so well into the ground color of the bloom that it is not conspicuous. Medium sized blooms on 34 to 36-inch well branched stems. (H. C. 1945). Sold out for this year.

**SANDALWOOD** (6-34) (H. P. Sass, 1937)—S, vinaceous fawn. F, army brown. Good sized flowers of fine shape and substance. 34 inches .....50c

**SIEGFRIED** (H. P. Sass, 1936)—A large ruffled flower of good substance. S, Naples yellow with a sheen of dotted purple. F, pale yellow and striped brown on the haft with purple dots along the side of the distinct yellow beard. Flaring falls. Large flowers on 44-inch branching stem.....50c

**SIR LAUNCELOT** (J. Sass, 1935)—S, haze. F, claret brown. Golden haft; orange beard. A rich golden brown iris 30-32 inches tall .....25c

**SNOWKING** (H. P. Sass)—A new large white, the flowers well balanced on tall branching stems. Much admired at the Lincoln National Iris Show .....50c

**SNOW VELVET** (H. P. Sass, 1942)—A white of very heavy substance. Flowers are large and stay in good condition on hot days when nearly all others have wilted. The stems are 40 inches with rather short branching.....\$4.00

**SOLID MAHOGANY** (Jacob Sass, 1944)—A bronzy red purple self. S, Victoria Lake. F, Velvety Burnt Lake. Large flower, 36-inch stem .....\$12.00

**SPOKAN** (Jacob Sass, 1933)—S, sayal brown overlaid reddish brown; F, oxblood red, overlaid blackish brown. Haft yellow with brown stripes. Prominent orange beard. The most brilliant of the red-brown blends. The blooms are carried on 36-inch well branched stems.....25c

**STARLESS NIGHT** (Jacob Sass, 1941)—Very dark blackish purple self with reddish sheen. Yellow beard. Medium sized flowers. 36-inch stalk .....\$3.00

**SUNSET SERENADE** (J. Sass, 1943)—A soft golden tan. S, apricot buff. F, orange vinaceous, yellow beard. Large flowers on 36-inch well branching stems .....\$10.00



**THE BLACK DOUGLAS** (J. Sass, 1934)—S, dark violet.  
36-inch well branched stems .....25c

**THE RED DOUGLAS** (J. Sass, 1937)—S, raisin purple.  
F, Dahlia purple with brown haft. Prominent orange beard.  
Large flowers on well branched 40-inch stems. (Dykes Medal,  
1941) .....\$1.00 Net

**THURATUS** (H. P. Sass)—One of the darkest of all  
irises and makes a striking garden group. A rather long  
flower with drooping falls, a blackish purple self, showing  
rich crimson tones when the sun shines through it. 38 to 40  
inches. A real beauty .....25c

**TIFFANY** (H. P. Sass, 1938)—A fairly clear yellow  
plicata. Ground color yellow bordered brown. 36-inch branch-  
ing stem .....50c

**VAGABOND PRINCE** (J. Sass, 1940)—Darkest black  
purple self. 36-inch well branched stalk .....\$1.00

**WAR EAGLE** (Jacob Sass, 1933)—S, vinaceous purple.  
F, blackish red purple fading to pansy purple. Bloom well  
branched .....25c

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## HEMEROCALLIS FROM NEBRASKA

The outstanding characteristics of the hemeracallis is  
its extreme hardiness and sturdy habit of growth. No insect  
nor disease has been known to destroy it and any location  
suits it. It is hardy anywhere when established.

Hemeracallis will be shipped in late August and Sep-  
tember, after they have finished blooming and seed is har-  
vested. They should be planted at the same depth as in the  
nursery; the bleached part of the plant will tell you how  
deep in the ground it was.

**HESPERUS** (Sass, H. P., 1933)—7-inch flowers, deep  
yellow, 4 feet, July and August .....\$1.50

**MOONBEAM** (Sass, H. P., 1940)—Creamy yellow, med-  
ium large, 5 feet stems. July and August .....\$1.50

**NEBRASKA** (Sass, H. P., 1937)—Cadmium yellow, 40  
inches tall, July and August .....75c

**ORANGE BEAUTY** (Sass, H. P., 1944)—Flowers large,  
with broad segments, opening flat about 5½ inches. Color  
orange self. Very fragrant. 34 buds on 40-inch stems. July  
and August .....\$10.00

**SUNNY WEST** (Hans P. Sass, 1933)—Light yellow, 4  
feet, July and August .....75c

**STAR OF GOLD** (Hans P. Sass, 1934)—7-inch flowers,  
4 feet, July and August .....\$1.50

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**AMELIA EARHARDT** (H. P. Sass)—Siberian. The color  
is deep blue violet according to Ridgeway. Falls are flar-  
ing .....50c

**MISS DULUTH** (Jacob Sass)—Siberian. Velvety black-  
ish violet. 30 inches .....25c

**SUNNY DAY** (H. P. Sass)—Spuria. Tall gleaming yellow  
self .....\$1.00

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ability of stock at shipping time or being sold out. Early  
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IN VARIETY.**

## PEONIES FROM NEBRASKA

Peonies do best in rich soil. Use fertilizer or well rotted manure if your soil needs it, but do not allow fertilizer to come in direct contact with the roots. In planting, be careful not to cover the roots too deep; the eyes or buds should not be covered more than two inches. Peony roots are shipped after September 1st.

<b>ADONIS</b> —Light pink with deep yellow collar.	
Late .....	<b>\$1.50</b>
<b>DIANA</b> —Pure white of full rose type .....	
	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>ELIZ. HUNTINGTON</b> —Tall, light pink, mid-season .....	
	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>ELSA SASS</b> —White with light salmon flush in center. Late .....	
	<b>\$2.50</b>
<b>EVENING STAR</b> —White with flame red edgings in center .....	
	<b>\$5.00</b>
<b>GLEAM OF GOLD</b> —White with yellow collar. Mid-season .....	
	<b>\$2.00</b>
<b>GRACE BATSON</b> —Deep pink, large and tall. Mid-season .....	
	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>HANS P. SASS</b> —Shell pink, deep in center. Late...	
	<b>\$2.50</b>
<b>HERMOINE</b> —Clear light pink, late .....	
	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>LAST ROSE</b> —Pale pink. Very late but sure to open.	
	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>JUDY BECKER</b> . Flower large, a brilliant dark red, of full rose type. A healthy grower with stems 32 inches tall. Mid-season to late .....	
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<b>LUXOR</b> —White bomb type, large and very early...	
	<b>\$2.50</b>
<b>MARIETTA SISSON</b> —Mid-season pink on strong stems. Early .....	
	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>MINERVA</b> —White, flushed pink, large. Late.....	
	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>NEBRASKA</b> —Pure white, large and tall. Late.....	
	<b>\$2.00</b>
<b>POLAR STAR</b> —A white Jap, large and tall.....	
	<b>\$2.00</b>
<b>IMPERIAL RED</b> —Single of large size .....	
	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>SEA SHELL</b> —Single light pink, large and tall.....	
	<b>\$1.00</b>

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